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20 March 1951

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SECRET MEMORANDUM

From: Office of Naval Intelligence (OP32274)  
To: Office of Special Operations, CIA

Attn: [ ]  
Via: [ ]

Subj: Background information on informant, Major R. SMITH

Pgs: (a) OP32274 Secret Ser 001121/50 of 28 Dec 50 with enclosure (1)  
(b) Oral request from OSO for further information on subject

Enclo: (1) Copy DIO 3ND Secret Ser 001123/P32274 of 8 March 51

1. In response to reference (b), the District Intelligence Officer  
NTED Naval District was requested to furnish particulars regarding the  
identity of subject.

2. Enclosure (1) is a copy of the DIO 3ND reply, and is forwarded  
herewith for your information and retention.

*[Signature]*  
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THIRD NAVAL DISTRICT  
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DR4-33  
Ser C01025/P3221  
8 March 1951

From: District Intelligence Officer, THIRD Naval District  
Re: Director of Naval Intelligence  
Subj: Col. Otto SKORZENY, Former aide to Heinrich Hitler  
Ref.: (a) DDI secret ltr to DIO-3ND CP3221D/maj, Serial 0513212 of  
5 Feb 1951, same subj

1. The background of informant, Edgar H. Smith, is as follows:

Born in Bristol, Pa., 1904. Graduated Lafayette College. Employed at Westinghouse, New York, 1928-1931; Department of Commerce, Monitoring Station, Grand Island, Nebraska, 1932-1934; Civil Aeronautics Administration, 1934-1945; Consultant to Spanish and Turkish Air Ministry 1945-1950. Presently employed as a consultant by Westinghouse International, 40 Wall St., New York, N.Y. in drawing plans for the modernization and expansion of ground aids for Spanish Civil Aviation.

2. Westinghouse International is drawing plans for the Spanish government for a total of fifteen various aeronautical installations comprising radio range, V.H.F., Instrument Landing System, Air Port lights and possibly Radar. It is estimated the project will cost \$5,000,000. If the plan is accepted, Westinghouse will supply equipment and supervisory personnel.

3. While ostensibly the plan will be for civil aeronautical activities, considerations are quietly being given to the military aspects as the installations will be spread throughout Spain. It is anticipated that the plan will be completed in approximately two years, at which time this office has been promised a copy of the complete plan.

4. John WAUTERS, LCDR., USNR (inactive), of Westinghouse International, who introduced informant to this office, states that he has known him rather intimately for the past six years and believes him to be an intelligent, discreet, capable and patriotic individual. In fact, it was Mr. WAUTERS who recommended informant to Westinghouse International as consultant on the plans now being drawn.

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